10-12-06 10/723,762 Application Number **Request For** ued Examination (RCE) November 26, 2003 Filing Date Transmittal William J. Swanson First Named Inventor Submission (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, Group Art Unit 1732 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The Matthew J. Daniels **Examiner Name** American Inventors Protection Action of 1999 (AIPA). S697.12-0073 Attorney Docket No. Express Mail No. EV884225095US Mail to: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes of Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 1. a. X Previously submitted i. X Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on August 15, 2006, (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). ii. \_\_ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_ iii. \_\_\_ Other b. X Enclosed i. \_ Amendment/Reply ii. \_ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii. \_ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) iv. X Other Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time Miscellaneous 2. a. \_ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed) 3. a. X The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 11-0982. i. X RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) ii. X Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) iii. \_\_ Other b. X Check in the amount of \$ 620.00 enclosed

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